GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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ASSISTANCE FOR AIDS CONTROL
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gates Foundation has announced 100 million dollar grant to reduce HIV transmission in India; and

(b) if so, the details regarding the HIV Control programme along with target for an effective utilization of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation assistance?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has announced US $ 100 million assistance for HIV/AIDS in India. However, the institutional arrangements and modalities of co-operation, mutual obligations and responsibilities have yet to be spelt out by the Foundation.

Government has so far not received any funds from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.